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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

After literally decades of being stuck with terrible quality and customer service, along with outrageously high prices (like \$300+/mo), I was THRILLED when one of our independent broadband providers, Sonic, was able to offer gigabit broadband in our neighborhood. We jumped at the chance, and have been happy customers every since, saving literally thousands of dollars a year (\$2760, to be exact), getting better service to boot. Did you read that number? Saving \$2760 a year, and getting better service.

Gutting the access provisions of the 1996 Telecommunications Act seems like it would foster competition, but in fact it would further the stranglehold of the large telcos on choice and price.

As a voting and taxpaying citizen, I will not go back. We need you to fight the predatory large telcos and support broadband competition and competitive fiber deployment.

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